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Security Information

15 Oct '52

MEMORANDUM

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TO :

FROM :

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REFERENCE: Your Periodic Report No. 2, dated 17 September 1952

1. The four roles of exposed film which you sent us are being developed and as soon as we have prints made we will send you the comments you request on the photography. It looks like an interesting range of material and we will be quite anxious to see the results.

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2. You are quite right about the advisability of testing thoroughly [redacted] electronic flash. We suggest that you get at least two of them in order to have some flexibility in case of individual unit failures. We have not at all entirely discarded the idea of using battery-operated flash. Our preference for rechargeable wet cells is only in terms of the type of operations which we have specifically run into; and we do recognize the many uses of dry-battery-operated flash equipment. We will be particularly interested in having your reports in the efficiency of operation of this type of unit.

3. We will try in the interim to give you some help in making the Heiland equipment which we now have more useful and more adaptable for your purposes. For both the Heiland and any other flash used which may operate off of a power line, we suggest that you make it standard practice to channel your power through a voltage regulator, and also that when in a period of heavy work with the strobes you alternate them by half days. We have found these two devices specifically helpful in lengthening the operating life of a strobe and lessening the necessity for repair.

4. Re your para 7. Let us know if you need support concerning a viewer for your operations. There is apparently no reason why we can not help if necessary.

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5. Also re your para 7. We will be interested in your recommendations concerning the possibilities of merging [redacted] with collateral data. As you know from your discussions here, there will be some very real problems arising concerning the extent to which [redacted] people should try to do this merging themselves.

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6. Re your para 8. The Novaflex close-up device for the Kina-exakta has advantages when you are doing only extreme close-up photography. As we remember our inspection of this device it would not enable taking an area as large as a [redacted] for example. It certainly could not be used for taking a picture of an 8 x 10" page.

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We still think that within not too many months we will have a lens mount which will go from infinity down to an area of about 3 x 2 inches.

7. Re your para 9. We are checking on the reports which you list and will let you know if there are any of them which we have not seen. It is probable that we have seen all of the [REDACTED] reports but your items 1 and 2 may be new to us. Thank you very much for sending this information. 25X1A2g

8. Re your para 10. As it will be at least two months before the arrival of additional people from here to work with you, we suggest that you proceed somewhat cautiously on tying yourself down at installations. We will certainly keep you advised concerning the schedule of personnel coming over.

9. Re your para 11. We also are somewhat confused on the status of trade fair coverage. We will investigate more at this end and get in touch with you later.

We are being forced into a rapid revision of our plans on documents photography. As soon as we have settled on a procedure we will let you know.

10. Re your earlier request for working papers 1 and 2 of G-2 markings group. [REDACTED] indicated that he has seen these papers in [REDACTED]. If you have not been able to trace them before his return in late October he will glad to help you find them. 25X1C8c 25X1X7

11. We are glad to hear that you are getting settled and enjoying yourself. Things are in motion here and when they settle down for a moment, we will let you know what's been happening.

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